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Fees are attached as calculated below:

Total effective claims after amendment 17 minus highest number previously paid for 20 (at least 20) = 0 x \$ 18.00	\$	0.00
Independent claims after amendment 3 minus highest number previously paid for 3 (at least 3) = 0 x \$ 78.00	\$	0.00
If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$260.00 (ignore improper)	\$	0.00
Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$ 110.00 /1 month; \$380.00/2 months; \$870.00/3 months)	\$	0.00
Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$110.00 □ Please enter the previously unentered filed	\$	0.00
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